

# PORTEVILLE HONORS OUTSTANDING CITIZENS AT CHAMBER BANQUET



PORTEVILLE PAID its traditional honor to outstanding citizens at 66th annual banquet of the Porterville chamber of commerce, Saturday night in the Monache campus center - photos from left: David Sarr, last year's man of the year, passes on the honor to Doc Small himself, alias Gene Duncan; Virginia Williams, 1971 woman of the year, presents Jane Thomas with the honor award for 1972; Bruce Carter, youth of the year in '71, makes the '72 award to John Bonilla; Bill Bennett, president of

the Vandalia 4-H club, winner of organization of the year in 1971, passes the honor on to Clay Balcombe, American Legion Post 20 commander, and Clyde Bonnar, VFW Post 2001 commander, whose veteran groups were jointly selected as organizations of the year in 1972; and Oliver Mason, who received a special plaque from Chamber President Doug Webb in appreciation for chamber and community work over a long period of years.

(Farm Tribune photos)

## ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION POND WILL BE CONSTRUCTED AT COLLEGE

PORTEVILLE — An ambitious project with an emphasis on ecology has been launched at Porterville college with the cooperation of several

organizations. It is an environmental education pond.

Approved by the Kern Community college district board of trustees, with concept approval from both the Porterville high school and elementary school boards, the pond is being financed by the Southern Tulare County Sportsmen's association, which has contributed \$5,200 to the project.

Meanwhile, the Porterville College Patron's Foundation plans to complement the project with construction of a 30 foot decorative water fountain on an island in the middle of the lake. Total cost of the entire project is expected to exceed \$15,000, according to Mac Williams, special projects chairman for the Patron's.

The one acre pond which will contain nearly five acre feet of water is planned for the northeast corner of the campus near the intersection of Highway 190 and Plano. "The planned 30 foot lighted fountain will be particularly visible from this location," Williams said.

Wenston Alexander, president of the Sportsmen's association, which is making the major initial contribution to the project, said, "This contribution is for the purpose of perpetuating good sportsmanship principles in the outdoor sports of fishing and hunting, and for a planned environmental area for the continued learning of nature study and conservation of our natural resources by the youth of the community."

O.H. Shires, Porterville college president, said the pond is proposed as a project which can be used as an educational aid for all youth as well as adults of the area.

Administration of Porterville

### MEDICINE SHOW TO WHISKEY FLAT

Doc Small's Medicine Show will hit the trail come February 17 to participate in the annual Whiskey Flat Days parade, set for 10 a.m. at Kernville, marking the 109th anniversary of the famous old mining camp on the Kern river.

In order to take care of the intricate details associated with the season's first appearance of the full-scale show, complete with wagon and team, a meeting will be held at the appointed time and place, specifically the Mountain Lion saloon, about then or thereabouts on Friday.

### Sportsmen Contribute



WENSTON ALEXANDER, seated right, president of the Southern Tulare County Sportsmen's association, hands over \$5200 check to Mac Williams, left, special projects chairman of Porterville College Patrons' Foundation, for construction of ecology pond at Porterville college. Looking on are three Sportsmen directors, from left, John Keck; Secretary-Treasurer Jere Ramsey; and Norman Vossler.

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## SPRINGVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BACK ON TRAIL



SPRINGVILLE CITIZENS filled the empty chamber of commerce chairs Monday night, electing a new board of directors and new officers at a public meeting attended by about 70 people. In photo, from left, Dick Coon, who has served as president for a number of years, turns things over to the new president, Les Tompkins; in right photo are new officers and directors, seated: Tompkins, Carolyn Giddings, secretary-treasurer; and Bill Johnson, vice president; standing, from left: Directors Gerald Mason, O.L. Stephens, Bob Werner, Jim Bodley, Horace Roberts, and Perry Marlin. New board members voted to meet again Tuesday night to decide whether or not to add two more directors and to "get the show on the road," with first-priority items being work with the Springville-Sierra rodeo committee and solicitation of advertising for the rodeo program.

(Farm Tribune photos)

### SURVEY OF SKI SITES SET NEXT WEEK

SPRINGVILLE — Survey of the Maggie Mountain and the Moses Mountain country as potential sites for ski areas development is expected to be made next week in connection with the Far West Ski Association Area Development program.

The survey, probably February 13-14-15, will be made by helicopter and on skis, according to Chuck Morse, administrator, recreational skiing and services, FWSA, who has been in contact by letter with Dick Coon, immediate past president of the Springville chamber of commerce.

Plan is to establish a base camp "east of Springville" and work from the camp into the ski area.

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### HEART FUND DRIVE WILL CONTINUE IN COMMUNITY THROUGH FEBRUARY

PORTEVILLE — Capt. Bob Searle of the city police department, and his wife,

### PREMIERE SHOWING OF FILM SATURDAY

CAMP NELSON — A free, premiere showing of "One With The World," a release by Rick McClun of VIP Productions, Hollywood, is set for Camp Nelson in the Sierra Alps lodge at 8 p.m., Saturday. The 25-minute color film deals with the ecology of the Camp Nelson area from 50,000 years ago until the present time.

### Rodeo Queen Contest Signup Closes Sunday

SPRINGVILLE — A chance to compete for the title of Miss Rodeo California or for California Rodeo Sweetheart is one of the "extras" that will go to the girl selected as queen of the 1973 Springville-Sierra rodeo.

In addition, the Springville queen will receive a hand-tooled western saddle, a silver belt buckle, and a trophy. Queen attendants will receive trophies; special awards will go to horsemanship and personality winners.

Signup period for the queen contest will remain open until 2 p.m., Sunday, February 11, when all contestants will meet at the Memorial building in

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### WEST'S BIGGEST FARM SHOW TO OPEN TUESDAY

TULARE — Sixth annual California Farm Equipment show in Tulare, February 13-14-15 will present the greatest exhibit of diversified agricultural equipment in any show west of the Mississippi, plus displays relating to agricultural services and research, and an educational program for both men and women prepared by the Agricultural Extension service of the University of California.

Carrying the theme, "Agri-Action '73," the show will be produced on the Tulare County Fair grounds with gates open daily from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. There is no admission charge.

More than 350 exhibits will be displayed at the show, including a number from foreign countries. All indoor space has been contracted for; outdoor

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### POLICE vs FIREMEN IN SCOUT BENEFIT BASKETBALL GAME

Porterville city police and firemen will match wits and questionable skills when they meet on the hardwood of the Porterville High School gymnasium Sunday evening, Feb. 11, in a benefit basketball game for the Tule River District, Mt. Whitney Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. Whistle time is 8 p.m.

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**COLORFUL CEREMONIES** and special entertainment from south of the border marked the 66th annual banquet of the Porterville chamber of commerce Saturday night in the Monache campus center, with honored guests being visitors from La Barca, Mexico, Porterville's new sister city. Top

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photos show La Barca Municipal President Manuel Razo Avina receiving gifts during the banquet; at left Avina is obviously enjoying an explanation of the powers of Doc Small's Magic Elixir, a bottle of which had just been presented to him by the Doc himself, Gene Duncan, interpreter is Anna Marie McFarland, from Ensenada, a Mexican representative on the national Sister City committee; center

Porterville Mayor Larry Cotta, after explaining the Sister City concept, presents mementos from Porterville to Avina; at right - Ruben Facio, a member of the Fabulous Studio band that played dinner music during the banquet, presents Avina with copies of the band's most recent record release. And, members of El Grupo Folkloric Telpochcalli, from Ensenada, who offered the featured entertainment of the

evening. Avina was also presented with an album of Porterville photos from the Porterville city police force, with the presentation made by Chief Fran Torigian and a member of the force, Bobbie Perez. Decorations for the banquet were handled by members of the Porterville Garden club, carrying out the theme, "Porterville Salutes La Barca. Others participating in the program

were outgoing chamber president, Jack Lucey; incoming president, Doug Webb; Porterville vice mayor, Joe Faure, master of ceremonies; and the Rev. Richard N. Warren, who gave the invocation. As the photo indicates, the banquet was a sell out. Guests from La Barca, and members of the dance group, were entertained in the Porterville community over the weekend. (Farm Tribune photos)

## CONVENTION PHOTOS SHOWN

SPRINGVILLE — Hazel Marlin showed slides of the recent American Farm Bureau Federation convention in Los Angeles at February potluck meeting of the Springville Farm Bureau Center, held Tuesday evening in the Springville Memorial building.

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## TRAVEL BY DEFEATED CONGRESSMEN WOULD BE STOPPED BY MATHIAS BILL

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Bob Mathias has announced that he has co-sponsored legislation, H.R. 2361, to prohibit members of Congress who have been defeated for re-election or who have retired, from traveling outside the United States at government expense.

### Farm Show

(Continued From Page 1) exhibits will cover the area of the county fair grounds on both sides of the fair grandstand.

Among special exhibits will be a display from the U.S. Department of Agriculture concerning cotton breeding experiments; the world's largest land ripper weighing 57 tons and capable of digging nine feet deep in hardpan; explanation of a new experimental system for faster production of beef; equipment to convert organic waste into useful gas, protein, and fertilizer; displays of photographs taken from outer space for use in agricultural production on earth; and a historical collection of old farm equipment and farm literature.

In total "everything that's new" in agricultural machinery and methods will be on display at the show, with special emphasis on beef and dairy production.

Attending the show will be official representatives from several foreign countries — Ireland, New Zealand, Mexico, France, and others; virtually every manufacturer of farm equipment in the world will be represented in the show.

Various educational programs will be presented by exhibitors in addition to the Extension service programs; schedule of these special presentations will be available on the grounds.

The California Farm Equipment show is produced by the Greater Tulare chamber of commerce; general chairman this year is Neil Huffsmith, of Tulare.

Among special features of the show will be:

An exhibit by Tulare County 4-H All-Stars with Woodsy Owl saying, "Give a hoot; don't pollute."

Women's programs with the theme, "Your Environment, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."

Three hospitality Centers operated by Hi-4-H members and leaders from the county's 38 4-H clubs.

Fashion parade staged by the Tulare County Cotton Wives Auxiliary.

Special programs related to the dairy industry.

Vineyard clinic sponsored by "California and Western States Grape Grower Magazine," hosted by Dan Weldon, editor, formerly of Porterville.

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"Many members have found it convenient to travel abroad on government financed vacations at the end of their congressional service," Mathias said. "These trips are always billed as congressional business, but they serve no useful congressional purpose since the members will not be returning to the next session of Congress."

Foreign travel can be very important to a member of Congress. According to Mathias, "It gives the members of committees an opportunity to see firsthand what our government is doing abroad — militarily, diplomatically, and of a humanitarian nature — and to evaluate any changes that might need to be made.

"Also the work that is done in international conferences, such as the World Food and Agriculture organization and the North Atlantic assembly, require the close attention of Congress because of the importance of their work to our Nation and to the world.

"But when travel serves no useful purpose, then it's time for it to stop."

### Heart Fund Drive

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volunteers contact them at their homes.

Heart and blood vessel related problems each year kill one million persons in the United States, 53 per cent of the annual death toll. One out of every eight persons is afflicted with heart and blood vessel related problems that could cost them their lives.

The American Heart association attempts to educate persons on the symptoms of heart and blood vessel disorders and stroke conditions and spread the word of life saving actions which may be taken when such symptoms occur.

In addition it conducts continuing research into causes and possible cures for heart and blood problems.

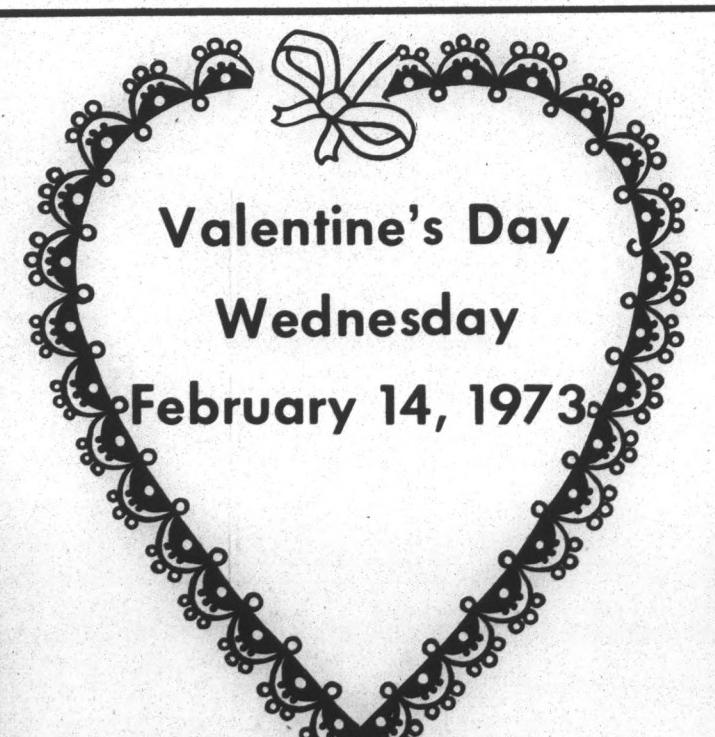
Trends in cancer for the past 35 years show that cancer in women is down about 8 per cent largely due to the Pap test that detects cervical cancer.

SPRINGVILLE IS off and running again, what with setting up a new chamber of commerce board of directors and a new group of officers. This is good because the community needs a chamber of commerce to serve as the "Voice of Springville" and to the good folks in Springville and thereabouts, might we suggest that issues continue to be discussed in the loud, clear voices that through the years have become typical of Springville public meetings when controversial questions were involved, but that when the issues have been kicked around and some kind of agreement reached, get with it. Whether or not you agree with the final agreement, get with it...and don't lose your sense of humor... As for Dick Coon, outgoing president of the chamber, the vote of appreciation given him last Monday night was well earned. Maybe Dick was on the controversial side in certain instances, but he worked for Springville over a period of many years. That's what's important. He worked for Springville as he saw the job that he felt had to be done — not always with full support, often with opposition. But he worked, and that's a pretty good key policy for the new chamber board and officers to follow — work, work for Springville.

NOTE TO everyone. Look toward the Sierra. If you had spent a couple of thousand dollars to travel in some foreign country, you would probably be showing your friends colored slides of beautiful scenery you had seen. But here in Porterville and Tulare county, all you have to do is look toward the east to behold beauty. And the look is for free.

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A RECORD 704 persons were served Sunday by Springville Lions at their annual ham dinner in the Springville Memorial building, with indications being that about \$1,150 will be turned over to the Tulare County Cancer Crusade as net from the dinner, which this year honored the memory of the late Tom Masonheimer. In photo are, from left, Clyde Simpson, finance chairman; Ken Fox, general chairman; and Jay Eaton, whose wife baked the special cake being displayed. Doc Small's Medicine show performed during the afternoon in memory of Masonheimer, who was a member of the cast. He was also chief cook at the dinner for a number of years.

(Recorder photo)

### HISTORICAL SEMINAR AT SCHOOL MONDAY

PORTERVILLE — The history of the early communities of Ducor, Saucelito, and Wheatland is to be next Monday night's subject of the Porterville Adult School's Tulare County and Local History seminar. It will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Porterville High School cafeteria; the public is invited.

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**COTTON VARIETY TESTING COMM. WILL ORGANIZE**

**BAKERSFIELD** — Two members of the Continuous Cotton Variety Testing committee, Philip Cerro of Kern county and Aubrey Baker of Madera county, have been selected to serve new three-year terms since no candidates filed in opposition to them prior to the deadline for making nominations.

The committee operates under direction of the California director of agriculture in testing all upland cottons with potential for favorable production in the San Joaquin valley's one-variety district.

Other grower representatives on the industry-wide committee are Dick Markarian, Fresno county, chairman; Stanley Hawk, Kings county, vice chairman; Gino Pedretti, Merced county, and William Silveira, Tulare county. Their terms do not expire this year.

An organizational meeting of the committee is scheduled for February 20.

Since inception of the program in 1965, about 200 different cottons have been compared with SJ-1, the variety currently in general planting in the valley, and its predecessor,

Acala 4-42.

Dr. Dick Bassett, University of California agronomist in charge of the testing program, has announced that at least eight cottons will be included in the large-scale variety tests in 1973, conducted at eight locations in the valley cotton belt.

Up to 40 experimental strains will be tested in smaller-scale screening trials at three locations. The breeders' expanded screening program, entering its fourth year, will be at two locations in 1973.

**Corson, Irwin Transferred To New Assignments**

**PORTERVILLE** — Sequoia National Forest Supervisor Jim James has announced the transfer of two key Sequoia National forest staff men.

Philip F. Corson, currently the Recreation and Lands Staff officer, will be moving to the Recreation Administration Staff officer position on the Eldorado National forest at Placerville.

Robert L. Irwin, currently the Fire Control officer, has

accepted the Fire Management Systems specialist position at the Pacific Southwest Forest & Range Experiment station at Riverside.

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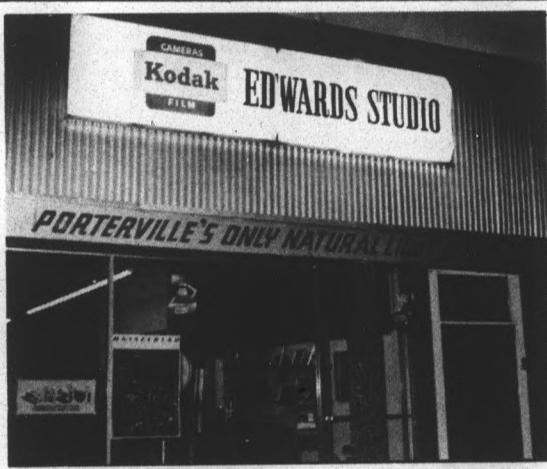
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## Education Pond

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Schools has evinced a particular interest in the project, according to Tom Van Groningen, Superintendent. He said, "we are optimistic regarding the prospects of incorporating certain aspects of this program into the curriculum of the schools. The pond will not only be attractive aesthetically, but also a functional addition to our community and is further evidence of the support which Porterville schools continue to receive."

Herb Bonds, assistant superintendent of Porterville Schools, says he can envision a variety of uses of the pond for instructional purposes, particularly at the elementary level as controlled outdoor laboratory in ecology.

Porterville college plans to utilize the pond in teaching classes in water safety and recreational water uses in addition to ecology-related classes. Allen Nelson, director of athletics, notes that with more and more leisure time being made available, it is only good sense that some instruction be

offered in leisure time activities.

Nelson said, "The geographical area in which Porterville college is located has an abundance of recreational areas which provide opportunities for fishing, boating swimming and camping and other outdoor activities. However, experience has shown that many of our citizens fail to make use of these areas because they have never developed interests or skills in these leisure time activities. The addition of the ecology pond would enable us to provide instruction in a number of recreational activities that are particularly relevant in the Porterville area and in our modern society with its abundance of leisure time."

Activities he includes are angling, canoeing, fly casting, bait casting and skish, skin and scuba diving.

It was the idea of the Sportsmen's association in offering to construct the pond that good sportsmanship should be taught.

According to Williams, the pond will be stocked free with 2,000 fish by the fish and game department. Representative plants, trees and shrubs have

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been promised by Sequoia National forest, which will also provide environmental education materials.

Cooperating in the planning of the pond with architects of the Kern college district has been the Soil Conservation service, which has drawn several scale maps of the pond.

As coordinator of the project for the Patron's Foundation, Williams said the Rain Jet Corporation of Burbank has been working with the Patrons' Foundation on the design of the 30 foot fountain for the island.

Williams said, "Without the generous donation of the Southern Tulare County Sportsmen it would have been impossible for us to get this project underway. With the help of the remainder of the community we believe the project can be completed as a center of community pride and enrichment for years to come."

Light picking of strawberries is underway in the San Diego area.

To keep milk from spoiling prematurely, remember the Three C's. Keep it cool, clean and covered.

## Maid Of Cotton

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Co-chairmen of the dinner - Mesdames Manuel Faria and Roscoe Honeycutt, both of Tipton - request that dinner reservations be made by February 13.

Chairman of the Maid Selection committee is Mrs. Clarence Valine, of Porterville. On the committee are: Mesdames Homer Smartt and Joseph Valine, of Porterville; Stacy Terry and W.H. Williams, of Dinuba; and Mary Martin and Audrey Stuhaan, of Tulare. In charge of publicity is Mrs. Donald Eisner, of Strathmore.

A get-acquainted tea for Maid contestants will be held February 10 at the home of Mrs. Mary Martin in Tulare.

Serving as Tulare County Maid of Cotton since her selection in February of 1972 is Davalynn Chamberlain, of Porterville.

There are only three proven and effective methods of cancer treatment, according to the American Cancer society. They are surgery, radiation and chemotherapy.

SEEKING THE title of Tulare County Maid of Cotton is Sue Squires, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Squires of Richmond and a student at Porterville college, majoring in business. The county's 1973 Maid of Cotton will be selected at a dinner party the evening of February 17 in the Tulare Elks lodge. (Edwards Studio photo)

## Rodeo Queen

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## Ski Sites

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